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MIDDLE TENNESSEE FARMERS' INSTITUTE SPLENDID SUCCESS.

Tenancy Decried—Importance of County Council Work Discussed.

With delegates from practically every Middle Tennessee county in attendance, the Farmers' Institute, which was conducted at Columbia Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, August 10, 11, and 12 was one of the most successful meetings in the history of the organization. Attendance the second day broke all previous records.

While every session of both the farmers and homemakers was characterized by splendid interest and enthusiasm, the outstanding feature of the meeting was the formation of a permanent organization, the report of the committee on organization being adopted unanimously. It was shown in the report that popular sentiment of the farmers of this grand division of the state favored such an organization. The report also stated that the county council of agriculture is the accepted form for county organization and that the annual meeting at Columbia should become a farmers convention, an organization covering all Middle Tennessee.

Some of the outstanding features gathered from the meeting as a whole were that agriculture is now passing thru a critical period and that farmers must meet the situation by linking themselves together; that increased tenancy must be stopped and the drift from the farm to the city checked if agriculture is to develop as it should. It was emphasized that the increase in tenancy not only means that the best of the farm lands will soon be depleted, but it is a social and political problem, for it cannot be expected that those who have no abiding interest in the land or community will contribute as much to rural life as they would if they owned the land.

The need of more home orchards and their proper management, care of the farm woodlands and the reclamation of waste lands were emphasized by able speakers. Men trained in sheep husbandry urged that more farmers in Middle Tennessee should have farm flocks, pointing out that they are sure money makers and at the same time are unexcelled when it comes to cleaning fields and enriching land. Livestock specialists urged the farmers to use purebred sires of all kinds for herd improvement and pointed out the great loss to the farmers of the state each year because of the use of the scrub sire. They increase the part livestock play on the farm in enriching the land.

To run up the main thoughts of the meeting it might well be said that they are as follows: The requirements of successful farming is the ability to make a full and comfortable living from the land; to rear a family carefully and well; to be of good service to the community in assisting and cooperating with others; to leave the farm more productive than when it was purchased. Possibly no topic discussed at the Middle Tennessee institute met with more interest and enthusiasm than that of the county

council of agriculture. Middle Tennessee at present leads the other sections of the State in the number of these organizations and reports from leaders of some of these organizations showed that they were doing things for the farmers.

The first speaker was E. C. Cunningham, president of the Montgomery county council of agriculture, and one of the largest and liveliest councils in this grand division. Mr. Cunningham told in a most interesting manner of the work that has been done in Montgomery County.

He said the success of this council was largely due to the untiring efforts of the county agricultural agent and the home demonstration agent. The business men of the county have also incorporated in a most splendid manner said Mr. Cunningham, with these agents and with these agents and with the farmers of Montgomery County during the past seven months, than had been done for them in ten years.

Mr. Cunningham told how the council boosts the boys and girls club work in the county, and stimulates interest in better roads, conducts health surveys, purebred sire campaigns and has organized a dairy shipping association.

One of the biggest things the council has done for Montgomery County said Mr. Cunningham, "is the study of survey that has been made of rural conditions, and remedying those things thru the united efforts of the farmers." The council advocates the breaking away from one crop system. For years and years Montgomery has been a tobacco raising county, and has actually had to buy feed—this year as a result of the council's work, the county will have feed to sell.

The council has also boosted the county fair, strawberry and sweet potato associations, etc.

William A. Schoenfeld, assistant director of the Division of Extension, in the absence of Hon. J. R. Howard, president of the American Farm Bureau Federation, discussed the progress of the federation and what it means to the farmers. Mr. Schoenfeld, who has only recently made a trip to many states for the purpose of studying the various bureaus and state federations, stated that the outlook for the organization is brighter than the of any other organization for farmers that has ever been started and that it is doing some wonderful things in many states. He stated that its purpose was to improve country life in general, bringing about better conditions in the home, better schools, churches, roads and help the farmers to get a fair share of the price the consumer has to pay for farm products. Other organizations that have sprung up from time to time failed largely because they did not take all these things into consideration.

Professor Schoenfeld said Tennessee will need such an organization very soon. He said there were three types in the state, the extremes, the too fast and the too slow. It is the middle ground on which Tennessee wants to stand. He told of the splendid work that is being done by the state council in New York and compared other eastern states with Tennessee.

Paul Levy, of Lawrence coun

ty, was the next speaker. He told of the splendid organization of four hundred members in his county. One of the results of its work has been the increase of the rural school term from five to seven months, and at the same time secured an increase in pay for teachers. Not only this but the council has saved the farmers of the county more than \$19,000 on seed and fertilizers. The council has also succeeded in organizing strong fruit growers associations, livestock associations, etc.

The health department of the council has seventeen physicians cooperating and gives school children of the county free medical examinations.

Joe Frank Porter, chairman of the Maury County Council, told of the accomplishments of the organization. He said the council has succeeded in securing the establishment of permanent quarters in the court house. Is now advocating the construction of good roads for two miles in each direction from the rural schools, is encouraging better home life in the country, the making of the farm more attractive in order to keep the young men at home.

Mr. Porter said the council must not expect to accomplish too much all at one time, that the work and efforts of the council were sure of success because of the cooperation of the farmers.

The Tennessee Dairy Association held its annual meeting in connection with the Institute and it was largely attended. The progress that Tennessee has made in the last few years in the development of the dairy industry was brought out. Tennessee is the first state of the South in Register of Merit work, having forty-four herds on this test. It also leads in the number of cow testing associations. Within the past year one Tennessee cow has broken a production record for the South and two have broken State records. It was pointed out that the State is now one of the leading dairy states of the country and that the industry is putting thousands of dollars in the pockets of the farmers each year.

Thursday following the adjournment of the Institute a sale of purebred Aberdeen-Angus was conducted at the Columbia Stock Yards. The sale was very satisfactory, measuring up to the expectations in view of the present condition of unrest and uncertainty in all lines of industry. That Tennessee farmers are deeply interested in producing better cattle was demonstrated by the way they took to the animals offered in this sale; most of them going to farmers to head small grade herds, the object being to grade up the herds. More interest than usual was also shown in the discussion of feeding and management of cattle in connection with the regular program of the Institute.

The home-makers' section of the Institute had one of the best meetings in the history of the organization, according to those in charge of it. A splendid program was rendered each day and was received by a large number of interested farm women. The need of improvement of rural schools and the giving of more attention to sanitation in the country along with the discussion of household topics and woman's duty as pertaining to the affairs of the country featured the program.

Jackson County Teachers' Association Meets Saturday, Sept. 4.

The Jackson County Teachers' Association will meet in Gainesboro at 10 a. m. Saturday, Sept. 4th, 1920.

Devotional Exercises—Rev. A. R. Gibbons.

Practical and Business Education—C. W. Davis, Herman Spivey, Hilman Lovelady.

How May I be a Successful Teacher—Misses Otha Smith, Clyde Jackson, Ethel Wheeler.

Agriculture in our Public Schools—Huby Hix, R. B. Spurlock, Alvis Johnson.

Unification in our Public Schools—Miss Estelle Gailbreath, O. C. Norton, A. F. Dixon.

Discipline; What it is and Its value—One of the T. P. I. Faculty.

The Importance of Grading the Schools—Misses Estelle Daniel, Lillian Lee, T. H. Norton.

The need of Moral Training in School—John Johnson, Jennie McCue, Mary T. Byrne.

How to remove hindrances to the cause of Education—General discussion led by J. F. Gaines, Ina Carr.

My plans of securing and retaining good control—Misses Lena Anderson, Eula Dycus, Ella Mai Smith.

Each subject will be followed by general discussion.

On account of the county fair closing at Cookeville, August 28th, and doubtless several teachers wanting to attend, the meeting of the Association is changed from Aug. 28, to Sept. 4th.

I believe every genuine teacher in the county will attend this meeting and help make it interesting. If you are not on the program be ready to say something in general discussion. Show that you are on the side of education by being present at 10 o'clock.

All who are interested in the cause of education are cordially invited.

Wishing for an interesting and beneficial meeting.

I am most respectfully,
W. L. Dixon Co. Supt.

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Mr. Okley Brown and Miss Beulah Anderson were married Sunday. We wish them a long and happy life together.

The protracted meeting is in progress at Antioch this week.

The heading hauling opened up Monday, Aug. 9.

Pearl Webb and wife have been attending the big meeting at Fredonia.

Sam Brown and family visited Roscoe Mabry and family.

John A. Gentry and Miss Nelle Mai Smith were married Wednesday Aug. 4. We wish them much happiness.

Jim Wright and wife spent Sunday with Wane Webb and family.

Misses Sarah and Amana Cox visited Andy Masters.

Save your eyes before it is too late.

Sore eyes, granulated eyelids, wild hairs, watering, itching, smarting eyes, scums, or Pterygiums can positively be cured with Dr. Garfinkle's eye remedy. The first bottle will fully convince you. It is sold in Gainesboro by Anderson & Haile, druggists, on a positive guarantee to give good results or your money cheerfully refunded. Price \$1 per bottle. It can be sent by mail anywhere prepaid. 11-13-20.

Fourth Quarterly Conference To Be At Gainesboro Monday, Aug. 23.

The Fourth Quarterly Conference for Gainesboro Mission will be held at Gainesboro on Monday, Aug. 23, at ten o'clock. This is the most important conference of the year. The officials are to be elected and arrangements made for the next conference year, therefore, all the officials of each congregation are urged to be present. It would be well, too, for a large number of the members to be present and show some interest.

Bro. Noland will preach Sunday night at 7:30. All the members are urged to be present, and the public are invited to come out and hear him.

Let us not get too busy with other things to neglect the King's business.

A. R. Gibbons, P. C.

Teachers Should Be Prepared.

It is hoped that every teacher in the county will become keenly interested in making his, or her school the best in the county. Feel that you are justly earning the salary you are paid; that you are giving value received for your salary.

Make preparations for all classes, by reviewing before hand. It matters not how simple the lesson, be ready, be equipped for the recitation by reviewing.

The teacher that has to turn from page to page to see whether a pupil answers questions correctly, is not a true teacher. Prove to your pupils that you are interested. Prove to them you are competent, that you are sincere and anxious for their success.

Get to your school ground twenty or thirty minutes before eight o'clock and stay till four o'clock.

Don't make your rest periods too long, nor dismiss too early. If you do, you will impress the patrons and pupils that you are not interested in school work as you should be to be a teacher.

Do everything you can to help build up the community in which your school is located. Your work inside the school room is not far reaching enough. Get in touch with the patrons of the school and secure their cooperation in your work. Make the school house the community center for social and religious gatherings.

Most respectfully,
W. L. Dixon.

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There was a large crowd at Mrs. Etta Smith's sale.

We believe Bob Gailbreath and wife are going to housekeeping from the start they made.

Hello! Chas. Dowell of Big Branch. When are you coming back to the Lone Star.

Mrs. Etta Smith is going to Cookeville for her future home.

The meeting will begin at the Forks of Creek, Sunday, Sept. 12, Mabel Platt, of Nashville, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Clara Ragland.

Jim Childers has a position in Nashville, where he will go soon.

Tom Brown is improving from the wound he received several days ago.

Rus Fox was slightly hurt last week. We trust he will soon recover.

JACKSON COUNTY AGRICULTURE CENSUS FOR 1920-10 COMPARED.

Shows County Has Made Some Gains In Past Ten Years.

The Director of the Census announces, subject to correction, the following preliminary figures from the Census of Agriculture for Jackson county.

Farms and Farm Acreage.			
	Jan. 1, 1920	Apr. 15, 1910	
Farms	2,403	2,529	
Operated by—			
White farmers	2,390	2,507	
Colored	13	22	
Owned by—			
Owners and Managers	1,441	1,414	
Tenants	962	1,115	
Land in farms—			
Total acres	179,998	181,808	
Improved acres	92,134	90,167	

Value of land and buildings.	
January 1, 1920	\$8,190,908
April 15, 1910	\$4,051,514
Increase, 1910-20	\$4,139,394
Per cent increase	102.2

Domestic Animals.		
	Jan. 1, 1920	Apr. 15, 1910
Farms reporting domestic animals	2,338	2,460
Animals reported—		
Horses	2,324	2,713
Mules	3,867	3,200
Cattle	8,795	7,462
Sheep	4,494	9,933
Swine	26,989	16,694

Principal Crops.		
	Acres	Quantity harvested
Corn, 1919	45,296	1,003,876 bu
Corn, 1909	38,764	861,587 bu
Wheat, 1919	3,607	21,916 bu
Wheat, 1909	5,035	35,509 bu
Oats, 1919	2,166	25,168 bu
Oats, 1909	3,591	34,743 bu
Hay, 1919	5,846	6,269 tons
Hay, 1909	2,688	2,808 tons

The figures for domestic animals in 1910 are not very closely comparable with those for 1920, since the present census was taken in January, before the breeding season had begun, while the 1910 census was taken in April, or about the middle of the breeding season, and included many spring calves, colts, etc.

FOR SALE

Big Type Black Poland China Hogs. I have 10 hogs of this type that will average about 50 pounds. Will sell single or in pairs at right prices. If you are interested, see me at once. J. A. Meadows, Gainesboro, Tenn. R-1, (Free State) Home phone.

FOR SALE—A Practically

brand new Tennessee, 3-inch wagon, with 5 barrel bed, together with a mule and horse team, as good a pullers as was ever hitched to a wagon. I want to sell the whole cheese in a pile. If you want them see me at once. Dr. C. E. Reeves, Gainesboro.

FOR SALE—Ford touring car,

and a dandy good one. Will sell at a bargain. This car is in A1 condition. If interested see me at once. Claude Roberts, Gainesboro.